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Wang et al.

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For: POROUS METALLIC SCAFFOLD FOR  
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated October 5, 2006, finally rejecting claims 1-4, 6, 9-13, 15-18, 79, 82-87, 89-93, 95-98 and 101-103, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows: